



VARNUM POND

Temple and Wilton, Franklin County
U.S.G.S. Farmington, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Blacknose dace
Lake trout (togue)	Creek chub
Brook trout	Fallfish (chub)
Rainbow smelt	White sucker
Yellow perch	Hornpout (bullhead)
Chain pickerel	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Minnnows	American eel
Golden shiner	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 370 acres

Maximum depth - 75 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 75°F

70 feet - 41°F

Principal fisheries: Landlocked salmon, lake trout, and brook trout

Varnum Pond is located east of Varnum Mountain. Many small inlets and springs around it feed into the pond. Its outlet, Varnum Stream, flows south into Wilson Stream. The pond's shoreline is lightly developed.

Water quality in Varnum Pond is good for coldwater gamefish. Deep water with cool temperatures and adequate levels of oxygen make a satisfactory environment for salmonids. A population of wild lake trout provides a fishery, while salmon and brook trout are periodically stocked to provide fisheries for those species. Salmonid growth is good with rainbow smelt as forage and relatively low numbers of competing warmwater fish species.

Varnum Pond is accessible via a short gravel road off the Varnum Pond Road. The pond is open to fishing with no live fish as bait in the open water season and closed to fishing throughout the winter months. See the lawbook for additional regulations.

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